

ITEM #: \_\_\_\_\_ RESO 08-89  
FISCAL IMPACT: \$40,961.00  
FUNDING SOURCE: Grant \$ existing bdgt.  
BUDGET OPENING: \_\_\_\_\_

**ISSUE:**

A resolution authorizing the West Valley City Police Department to purchase an Identix Live Scan Touch Screen fingerprint booking station from Identix Incorporated in the amount of \$40,961.00.

**SYNOPSIS:**

This resolution will authorize the Police Department to use grant funds as well as money from the Administration and Police department budgets to purchase a TouchPrint Booking Station, which will allow for full finger and hand print scanning to our database, as well as the state BCI database.

**BACKGROUND:**

The police department currently uses a live scan fingerprint booking station to obtain fingerprints of individuals obtaining work cards, personal background requests, or court ordered fingerprints. The later are sent to the Utah State Bureau of Criminal Identification (BCI) to be entered as convictions of certain crimes.

The BCI system and our current system are not digitally compatible, thus, any prints obtained at West Valley City Police Department must be manually compared and classified before the conviction can be entered at BCI. There is a significant backlog of these manual comparisons at BCI, often delaying the conviction being entered for many months. During this time frame, the Justice Court judges have noted the same individuals being brought before them, but their prior convictions have not been certified by the state. This has created sentencing problems for the judges.

Last year, court administrator Herb Katz worked with members of the police department and obtained a grant for \$24,000.00 to purchase an updated booking station that would digitally communicate with the state and thus almost immediately enter the fingerprints of a convicted person into the BCI database. As the department explored the benefits of this new system, it was found that for an additional \$16,961.00 above the grant amount, the system could be used to obtain palm and hand prints for comparison in major felony cases, a procedure we are unable to perform with our current system. Working with the Justice Court, the funds from within existing approved budgets have been combined with the grant money to purchase the Identix TP-3800XCH-ED that will meet the needs of the courts and the department in the above described areas.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve resolution authorizing the purchase of the Identix TP-3800XCH-ED from Identix Incorporated in the amount of \$40,961.00.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

Thayle "Buzz" Nielsen, Police Chief